

**SR3-3-101 Senate confirmation committees.**

- (1) The president shall:
  - (a) appoint one or more Senate executive confirmation committees composed of no more than seven senators, no more than five of whom are from the same political party;
  - (b) appoint as members of the confirmation committee the Senate appropriations subcommittee chair and the Senate standing committee chair having jurisdiction over the agency or entity to which the nominee is appointed; and
  - (c) designate one senator to act as chair of the committee.
- (2) If called by the chair, the committee shall, before any Senate confirmation session:
  - (a) meet to review gubernatorial nominations to fill an executive branch position; and
  - (b) make a recommendation to the Senate to either confirm or not confirm the nominee.
- (3)
  - (a) The confirmation committee shall review the resume and qualifications of any full-time gubernatorial executive branch appointee and may interview appointees.
  - (b) If a meeting is held, the committee shall submit a committee report to the Senate in a form that identifies to the Senate the votes "for" and votes "against" confirmation.
- (4) A standing committee may close a committee meeting only by following the procedures and requirements of Utah Code Title 52, Chapter 4, Open and Public Meetings Act.